

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Vembanad reclamation area.

106. ***Mr. K. Padmanabha Panickar** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the total area of *kayal* lands reclaimed in the Vembanad reclamation area ; and

(b) whether they have changed the classification of these lands after the original settlement, and, if so, which part and its extent ?

Mr. K. George : (a) 13,938 acres 12·816 cents.

(b) Yes. The assessment in respect of 1,387 acres included in the R—Block of the Vembanad reclamations has been reduced to the 13th *tharam* of wet assessment from the 12th *tharam* fixed at the time of registry.

Area of lands in possession of the K. D. H. P. Company.

107. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** : (*Kunnatnad cum Parur*) Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(a) the total area in the possession of the Kannan Devan Hills Produce Company actually cultivated by tea ;

(b) the total area in their possession still remaining uncultivated ;

(c) the amount of tax which could be realised annually if the uncultivated area is planted ; and

(d) how long it is since such area remains uncultivated ?

Mr. K. George : (a) 28,033·34 acres.

(b) 89,554·40 acres.

(c) The whole of the concession area has not been surveyed. It will not, therefore, be possible to say correctly the extent of the balance of cultivable lands in the concession area and the tax that can be realised therefrom. The Company has, however, agreed to pay tax for all the balance of occupiable grass lands estimated at 48,000 acres from 1112.

(d) It has all along remained uncultivated and unoccupied.

Tiffin shed for the English Middle School at Perumpavur.

108. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of school children who take their noon-day meals in the school building of the English Middle School at Perumpavur ;

(b) whether there is any tiffin room attached to the above said school ; and

(c) whether there is a full-time waterman in the school for the whole of the year ?